



Airway Module – A1: Structured Approach and Basic Airway Management [Last updated 20-9-2012]

Subject Topic	EdWISE PROGRAM - OUTLINE OF A1: STRUCTURED APPROACH AND BASIC AIRWAY MANAGEMENT SIMULATION MODULE	
Framework Profile	Programme: EdWISE A1: Structured Approach and Basic Airway Management	
Associated E-Learning or Webinar tutorials	 Triple airway manoeuvres Airway adjuncts 	
Simulation learning objectives	 Structured approach to the assessment the airway in the emergency department Assessment of a adequate ventilation Basic airway opening techniques Airway adjuncts 	
Target Group	Medical and nursing students; New medical and nursing graduates	
Delivery method	An interactive PowerPoint presentation followed by two simulation scenarios for the participants to work through. Each scenario can be run as a pause and discuss session or as a more immersive simulation. If the later then facilitated feedback will take place after each scenario.	
Timeframe	60 mins	
Resources for session	EdWISE Airway Box Extras – Sling for Shoulder dislocation scenario	











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Session Structure - EdWISE PROGRAM - A1: STRUCTURED APPROACH AND BASIC AIRWAY MANAGEMENT

Timing	Welcome and Introduction	Resource
5 mins	Welcome and Introduction	Video conferencing unit
	Provide Housekeeping – Fire Exits, mobile phones on vibrate	Enough seats for the
	 Provide a summary of what the workshop will involve and the expectations from the participants 	participants and
	Introduce yourselves - facilitation team, host team and participants. Include experience of cardiac patients	arranged in a horseshoe
	If this is not the first module run on that day, the participants are the same and this has been covered previously, then	facing the VC unit and
	this section can be missed out.	camera.
		Led by the team over VC
		but with host team
		supplying information
		on the fire
		exits/toilets/etc.
Timing	Main Topic Presentation	
15 mins	The presentation gives an introduction to the assessment and basic management of the airway in the ED.	PowerPoint
	It encourages a team-based, systematic approach to the patient with a potential airway problem.	presentation
	Structured assessment of the airway in the emergency department is introduced	
	Basic airway opening manoeuvres are introduced along with some basic airway adjuncts (oropharyngeal and nasopharyngeal airways).	











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Timing	Familiarisation to Mannequin & equipment		
5 mins	s Host site facilitators to familiarise participants to mannequin and to the environment.		Local faculty to
			familiarise the students
	If the participants are more junior then the concept of a pause and discuss scenario should also be introduced at this		to the environment/
	stage. It should be emphasised that the pauses do not occur when someone has done something wrong. Rather the		mannequin/actors. Can
	pauses are to allow a discussion of what has happened and to give pointers or highlight good practice, that may have be		use the familiarisation
	missed by other participants.		video, to guide the local
			faculty, if needed.
Timing	Simulation 1 - If the simulation is run as a pause and discuss session then use the total 15 minutes to accomplish this. This is due to feedback		
	being given "during" the simulation.		
7.5 mins	Participant Briefing		
	Bill Gates, 45 year old man		
	Recurrent shoulder dislocation, requiring sedation for relocation after faile	d Cunningham method. PMHX Obstructive Sleep	Apnoea.
	Scenario outline		
	Bill Gates has presented with a recurrent dislocated right shoulder. He has a history of OSA, nil allergies and is fasted. Cunningham technique hasn't		
	worked and procedural sedation is required. The consultant has asked you do perform the reduction, whilst they perform the sedation. The BAT		
	phone rings as soon as the shoulder is in and the consultant leaves the team to manage the recovery. As the painful stimulus has gone now the patient relaxes and with the sedation Bill's airway obstructs. This requires the participants to support the airway with manual manoeuvres and wi		
	basic airway adjuncts.		
Timing	Debrief		
7.5 mins	Key clinical issues – Pick no more than 2	Key non technical issues – Pick no more than 2	
	Recognition of a potentially difficult airway	Role allocation	
	Recognition of inadequate ventilation	Communication	
	Basic airway opening manoeuvres	Resource management for when help is require	d
	Sizing and insertion of basic airway adjuncts		





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Timing	Simulation 2		
7.5 mins	Participant Briefing		
	David, 38 year old, known alcoholic who is waiting to be seen by the doctor. He was off loaded from the ambulance 2 hours ago and is still waiting to be seen. He has just started to have a seizure whilst I was taking his observations.		
	Scenario outline David Beckham is a 38-year-old man with a history of alcohol withdrawal seizures. He normally drinks 7 schooners a day but has been unwell with URTI and has been at home for the past few days. He presents to the ED with symptoms of a cough and runny nose and is waiting to be seen.		
	One of the nurses finds that he begins to fit on his bed as she is taking his observations and calls for assistance. He is having a tonic-clonic seizure going blue with frothy secretions in the mouth.		
	Basic Airway Manoeuvres will be effective in management of the airway.		
Timing	Debrief – if the simulation is run as a pause and discuss session then use the total 15 minutes to accomplish this. This is due to feedback being given "during" the simulation.		
7.5 mins	Key clinical issues	Key non technical issues	
	Airway management in a fitting / post-ictal patient	Communicate effectively within a team	
	Options for managing the airway and difficulties in a fitting patient		

Timing	Summary		
5 mins	This session will provide an introduction to the structured approach to assessment and management of the ED patient requiring airway support. The		
	objectives covered are:		
	Structured approach to the assessment of a patient requiring airway management in the ED		
	Assessment of a potentially obstructed airway		
	Basic airway opening techniques		
	Airway adjuncts		





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